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An attorney for a woman charged with prostitution filed a motion Monday asking that the charges against her be thrown out because of "outrageous government conduct."

Diana Gross, 26, is charged with three counts stemming from an encounter March 22 with Homestead police Officer Ronald Depellegrin.

According to the affidavit of probable cause that the officer wrote, he sought out the woman from a personal ad for purposes of a prostitution sting.

When he met with her, they both undressed, and she began to perform oral sex on him.


Defense attorney Michael Waltman wrote in his motion that the sex act had "no legitimate purpose, as probable cause to arrest was present before the sex act began."

A spokesman for the Allegheny County district attorney's office said that Officer Depellegrin's actions "did not create a constitutional issue that would bar us from moving forward with the prosecution."

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How disgustingly outrageous, getting his jollies and then arresting the woman. Go catch real crooks and decriminalise sex work, it will stop this abuse of human rights, free up our gaols and start treating sex work as work and sex workers as equal citizens just trying to make a living like everyone else.


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julie really.. no.. most people that sell their body have issues.. get a real job..


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The arrest should have happened when he went to her apartment and becore anything else hapoened. The cop was trying to bust the prostitution ring and it was not necessary for the actual act to be committed for an arrest to be made. The officer is just as guilty as her. The ad was just enough and actual meeting for an arrest. Shameful!

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Here's what I learned from this–if you are going to arrest someone for prostitution, make sure you get a blowjob from them before making your arrest.

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